

# Acquisition by Dye & Durham (UK) Limited of TM Group (UK) Limited

## Terms of reference

1. In exercise of its duty under section 22(1) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the **Act**) the Competition and Markets Authority (**CMA**) believes that it is or may be the case that:
  - (a) a relevant merger situation has been created, in that:
    - i. enterprises carried on by Dye & Durham Limited, including Dye & Durham (UK) Limited, have ceased to be distinct from enterprises carried on by TM Group (UK) Limited; and
    - ii. the condition specified in section 23(2)(b) of the Act is satisfied; and
  - (b) the creation of that situation has resulted, or may be expected to result, in a substantial lessening of competition within a market or markets in the United Kingdom for goods or services, including in the supply of property search reports as part of single 'search packs' (Property Search Report Bundles) in England and Wales.
2. Therefore, in exercise of its duty under section 22(1) of the Act, the CMA hereby makes a reference to its chair for the constitution of a group under Schedule 4 of the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013 in order that the group may investigate and report, within a period ending on 8 June 2022, on the following questions in accordance with section 35(1) of the Act:
  - (a) whether a relevant merger situation has been created; and
  - (b) if so, whether the creation of that situation has resulted, or may be expected to result, in a substantial lessening of competition within any market or markets in the United Kingdom for goods or services.